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1. The border-police guard posts at Beckerwitz and Timmendorf (on Poel) are responsible to the border police at Wismar, while the guard posts at Rerik and Kuhlungsborn are under the supervision of the border-police at Bad Doberan. Each of the above guard units consists of about 30 men.
2. Since mid-November 1950 the spa hotel Wendorf, near Wismar, has been occupied by the Seepolizei personnel from Rostock. 50X1-HUM
3. At the end of November 1950 a one-year course was completed at the Volkspolizei school at Rostock. The students were 900 members of the Volkspolizei. Upon completion of the course, 450 members of the group were appointed Kommissars while the other half were given the ranks of Polizeimeister and Hauptwachtmeister. Upon graduation each member was given three weeks' home leave, after which he returned to Rostock. By 1 January 1951 most of the group had become members of the Seepolizei, while the rest had been assigned as instructors in the new Bereitschaften. A new course was begun at the Rostock school on 1 January 1951.
4. During the first half of December 1950 the Rostock Bereitschaft was broken up and its members distributed among three other garrisons (locations unknown). A skeleton force remained in Rostock as the nucleus around which the Bereitschaft will be rebuilt to its former strength.

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